

REMARKS

The Applicant submits that the entire delay between the date the claim for priority was due under 37 CFR 1.78 (a)(2)(ii) and this date was completely unintentional. The declaration on file and attached hereto indicates such claim to priority, but the requirement under which the reference was to be made in the application was inadvertently overlooked.

In view of the above, the Applicant kindly requests the acceptance of this unintentional delay and a rectification of the priority date of the above-referenced issued patent No. 7,178,235 to reflect the filing date of application No. 10/625,906; July 24, 2003.

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